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U. S. Transportation Secretary Slater Announces \$31.1 Million in Grants To Help Make Communities More Livable

U.S. Transportation Secretary Rodney E. Slater today announced that 84 projects totaling \$31.1 million will receive Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funding under an innovative initiative called the Transportation and Community and System Preservation Pilot Program (TCSP), a key component of the Clinton Administration's livability agenda.

"President Clinton and Vice President Gore are committed to helping make America's communities more livable by preserving green space, easing traffic congestion and employing smart growth strategies," Secretary Slater said. "In partnership with communities throughout America and through investments like these, we can protect our environment while growing our economy."

Vice President Gore in January 1999 launched a comprehensive agenda to strengthen the government's role as a partner with state and local efforts to build livable communities for the 21st century. TCSP is an initiative consisting of grants and research that will assist communities as they work to solve interrelated problems involving transportation, land development, environmental protection, public safety and economic development. It was established in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), the six-year surface transportation law signed into law by President Clinton on June 9, 1998.

TCSP funds are used to help achieve locally determined goals such as improving transportation efficiency; reducing the negative effects of transportation on the environment; providing better access to jobs, services and trade centers; reducing the need for costly future infrastructure; and revitalizing underdeveloped and brownfield sites. Grants also can be used to examine urban development patterns and create strategies that encourage private companies to work toward these goals in designing new developments.

The 84 projects were selected from a pool of 327 applications, evaluated by a multi-disciplinary panel from the department's Federal Highway, Federal Transit, Federal Railroad and Research and Special Programs Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency.

TEA-21 authorized \$25 million for the TCSP program in FY2001. As a key transportation component of its livability agenda, the Clinton Administration has requested an

additional \$25 million for the TCSP program for fiscal 2001 in response to overwhelming interest from communities around the country. Since its passage, more than \$53 million in TCSP grants have been made across the country.

"TCSP is an exciting and innovative program that recognizes the close link between transportation and the environment, as well as the importance of overall development for a community," Secretary Slater said. "It upholds the commitment by the Clinton administration to put people first."

Following is a list of the grants by state, showing the community, the amount received, and a brief description or title of the project.

Alabama

Alabama Department of Transportation Statewide Dock Inventory Assessment: \$348,400

Florence: pedestrian and other transportation improvements: \$871,000

Alaska

Anchorage: Ship Creek redevelopment and port access planning: \$435,500 Fairbanks: Riverwalk Centennial Bridge community connector project: \$871,000

Arizona

Regional Growing Smarter Implementation Plan: \$295,000

Arkansas

Jonesboro - Caraway Road Rail Realignment and Overpass Construction Safety Enhancement: \$200,000

Little Rock - Rural Traffic Shed Management System: \$150,000

River Market/College Station: livable communities: \$653,250

California

Berkeley - Ed Roberts Campus: \$300,000

Creating Transportation Options in the San Joaquin Valley Through Improved Land Use Patterns: \$230.059

Pilot Test of Transferable Regional / Local PLACE3S Method & Analytical Tool for California and National Uses: \$180,000

Riverside County: Community and Environmental Transportation Acceptability Program: \$435,500

San Francisco: Civic Center Plaza: \$936,325

Colorado

Denver Union Station Work and Entertainment Connection: \$175,000

Denver: 16th Street Pedestrian Improvements: \$435,500

Estes Valley Transportation Alternatives Feasibility Study: \$225,000

Connecticut

City of New Haven: trolley cars: \$217,750 Tomorrow's Downtown, Beacon Falls: \$225,000

Delaware

Centreville Village Plan (New Castle County): \$100,000

District of Columbia

Howard University/LeDroit Park Infrastructure Project: \$500,000 Pennsylvania Avenue traffic mitigation measures: \$435,500

Florida

Coordinated Linear Infrastructure Projects B CLIPS (Hillsborough River Greenway): \$120,000

St. Lucie County - Alternative Land Use Assessment: \$150,000

St. Lucie County - Teenagers, Transportation Planners and Residents Team Together to Tackle the Treasure Coast Transportation Plan: \$117,000

Georgia

Livable Communities Planning Model - Athens to Atlanta Multimodal Transportation Corridors: \$150,000

Hawaii

Livable Waikiki: Linking Transportation, Land Use, And Environment: \$300,000

Idaho

Highway 41/Rathdrum Prairie Land Use Integration Study/Master Plan (Kootenai County): \$104,000

Illinois

A Sustainable Transportation and Land Use Plan for the Route 47 Kishwaukee River Corridor
Developedwith a Watershed-based Approach through Community Consensus (McHenry County):
\$198,500

DuPage County transportation alternatives development: \$653,250

Indiana

Livable Communities are Edge Growth: The Greater Madison County I-69 Corridor Preservation Initiative: \$500,000

Muncie community connectors: \$217,750

Iowa

The Hoeven Valley Transportation Systems and Community Sustainability Initiative (Sioux City): \$175.000

Kansas

Marysville Grade Separation Impact Study: \$70,000

Kentucky

Community and Transportation System Plan for Southern Versailles: \$85,000

Louisiana

International Technology Center: An Integrated "Hub and Spoke" Transportation and Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy (Shreveport): \$225,000

River Parishes Transit Authority Transportation Coordination Plan (St. Charles, St. James, St John the Baptist): \$143,000

Maine

Statewide Service Center Revitalization through Integrated Public Investments: \$150,000

Maryland

Land Use Implications of Projects B A Smart Growth Assessment for the I-270 Corridor (Frederick & Montgomery Counties): \$200,000

Massachusetts

Metrowest regional transportation study: \$217,750

Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods Initiative (Springfield & Pioneer Valley): \$171,000

Michigan

Northwest Michigan transportation use initiative: \$108,875

Minnesota

Minneapolis - Making the Connection- Lowry Corridor: \$310,000

Mississippi

Jackson: Pearl River Airport Connector Study: \$871,000

Missouri

St Louis - Initiative for a Metropolitan Community: \$300,000

Montana

Kalispell: Bus Barn Facility: \$348,400

Nebraska

Omaha: 'Back to the River' community project and pedestrian access: \$1,742,000

Nevada

Clark County: Desert Research Institute Air Quality Study: \$435,500

New Hampshire

Concord: '20/20 Vision' small community planning guide: \$348,400

New Jersey

Monmouth County: pedestrian improvements: \$261,300 Montclair: connection transit livable communities: \$217,750 North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority: \$696,800

South Amboy: regional multimodal transportation initiative: \$217,750

New Mexico

Albuquerque Downtown Transportation Management Program \$522,600

Raton: historic rehabilitation project: \$522,600

Santa Fe/ Solana Neighborhood Center B A model for growth without Sprawl: \$200,000

New York

Hamilton Arterial Access Management, Local Street Network and Land Development Interface Plan: \$80,000

New Rochelle: intermodal center: \$435,500

White Plains: Transcenter pedestrian improvements: \$871,000

North Carolina

Comprehensive Transportation Study: Town of Bethania: \$150,000

North Dakota

Standing Rock Sioux - Tribal Roads Management System: \$143,891

Ohio

Cleveland - Restoring Urban Livability: Neighborhood Solutions to Intrusive Commuter Traffic: \$259,000

Oklahoma

The OKC Water Transportation System (OWTS), in the Enterprise Community of the City of Oklahoma City: \$178,000

Oregon

Oregon Telecommunity Center Project B A Replicable Model for Sustainable Rural Communities: \$125,000

State of Oregon TCSP Program: \$435,500

Pennsylvania

The 1-99 Corridor Community and System Preservation Initiative (Bedford, Blair, Centre, Huntingdon Counties): \$200,000

York Township - Innovation Through Sustainable Transportation And Land Use: \$185,000

Rhode Island

City of Warwick: Station Redevelopment Planning: \$261,300

South Carolina

South Carolina Integrated Infrastructure Planning, Model Plan and Process: \$423,000

South Dakota

Phillips to the Falls - Urban Core Redevelopment Project: \$125,000

Tennessee

Knoxville: electric transit project: \$435,500

Texas

Fort Worth: corridor redevelopment and transit linkages: \$1,306,500 Houston: Main Street corridor livable communities: \$435,500 Lufkin: Small Town Livability Demonstration Project: \$348,400

Utah

Greater Wasatch - Envision Utah: \$205,000

Utah-Colorado `Isolated Empire' Rail Connector Study: \$871,000

Vermont

Burlington: North Street revitalization project: \$348,400

Virginia

Arlington County: pedestrian, bicycle access and other transit improvements: \$435,500

Phase II - Impact Assessment of the Virginia Railway Express Commuter Rail on Land Use Development Patterns in Northern Virginia" (Prince William, Fairfax, Arlington Counties): \$150,441

Richmond: Main Street intermodal facility: \$1,524,250

Washington

Balancing Transportation Concurrency and Growth Management: Developing effective short-term strategies to implement long range transportation and land use plans in Clark County: \$380,000 Whatcom Chain of Trails (Whatcom County): \$126,000

West Virginia

Putnam County: Route 35 management plan: \$391,950

Wisconsin

Green Bay: pedestrian improvements and livable communities projects: \$653,250

Wyoming

Teton County Mapping for a Millennium: \$342,805

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